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13.5 cents RATE ADOPTED

A rate of 13.5 cents in the dollar was finally adopted at a special meeting of Altona Shire Council last Monday night. This is a rise of 35 per cent. on last year's rate (10 cents in the dollar) and will cost the average ratepayer an extra \$17.50.

However, in moving the adoption of this rate Cr. G. den Dulk said Altona could still be the lowest rated municipality. Pan fees also have risen. The charge is now \$14.45. Last year it was \$11.20.

Cr. den Dulk pointed out that considerable time had been taken to peruse and frame this year's estimates. Roughly, the estimates had needed a 14 cent in the dollar rate.

However, argument had followed on how to follow the rate and the estimates had finally been approved for a rate of 13.5c.

Cr. den Dulk said if estimates are examined it will be noted that there has been no increase in this municipality for a number of years.

Councillors looked closely to see if a rise should occur this year and there was no other way out, said Cr. den Dulk.

He said the estimates, if compared with last year's, reveal increases in expenditure on wages and services to ratepayers which made an increase in the rate unavoidable.

Every item on the estimates is needed, said Cr. den Dulk.

He said disagreement had arisen on the need for building the retaining wall on the reserve leased from the Board of Works (Cherry Lake, or as more commonly known, "The Swamp").

The council has a moral obligation to do this work, continued Cr. den Dulk.

He suggested that after three deputations to the Board of Works on the council's proposals for beautifying the lake, some development around the swamp should be seen.

He called a withdrawal of plans at this stage may give the Board an unfavourable impression and prejudice any future requirements of the council.

Contributions to private street schemes also had been discussed and some have been deferred.

Cr. den Dulk said he considers they should have remained on the estimates and suggested it was not good financial policy to defer the roadworks which could have been completed in 1968.

He agreed some of these costs could be deferred till next year, but pointed out that if all had been undertaken this year these works would have been finished. Now some of these will be on the 1967-68 estimates.

Cr. den Dulk announced money set aside for establishing the Altona North branch of the library has been deleted from the estimates.

When amenities are provided in the municipality progress of them should not be retarded said Cr. den Dulk. All are proud of these amenities and their standard should be maintained.

He believed that when amenities such as the library are provided in one part of the Shire the same benefit must be given the other sections.

No more kindergartens will be built this year said Cr. den Dulk.

The council cannot fulfill its promise to try and give all local children at least one year at

kindergarten.

The program for kindergartens is being retarded, which is not desirable, said Cr. den Dulk.

However, he added, it is desirable to keep the rate lower.

He pointed out that money has to be allocated for government roads which will take 15 to 20 years to complete.

People live on these roads and if the allocation is lowered construction could take 25-30 years. In the meantime traffic from these unmade roads is diverted to constructed private streets and lessens their life.

Cr. den Dulk considers sections of government roads should be constructed each year.

Attempts were made to keep loan funds as low as possible said Cr. den Dulk.

However, this means extra works would be charged against general revenue and this could mean an increase in rates, he added. By paying for works out of loan funds, the burden of redemption is greater in the future, said Cr. den Dulk.

He said that in these estimates the loan funds are higher than desired, but there was no other way of financing certain works. He pointed out that a certain amount of loan funds will have to be used by this municipality for a number of years.

In conclusion, Cr. den Dulk said that the councillors had never worked so hard on the estimates as this year, but as they do not want to retard the municipality so that Altona be-

comes just another suburb he believes the rate of 13.5c in the \$1 to be correct.

In seconding the motion to adopt the 13.5c rate Mr. A. J. Fisher suggested heed should be paid to past experience and to the experts—the Shire Secretary, Engineer and Deputy Secretary—on what is necessary in the estimates.

He said that in 1964 the rate was reduced from 2/2 to 2/- in the pound. He suggested the council were perhaps unwise in reducing this rate.

Cr. Fisher pointed out that two years later, due to increased costs, due to the rate of progress, due to costs put off to next year, the spending of \$35,000 has been deferred for the sake of saving half a cent.

If the rate had stayed at 2/2 the work could have been done said Cr. Fisher.

However, he said Altona still has the lowest rate in the western suburbs and perhaps one of the lowest in the metropolitan area.

He said the rise of 35 per cent sounds a lot, but asked what had Sunshine, Williamstown or Keilor to show for their higher rates.

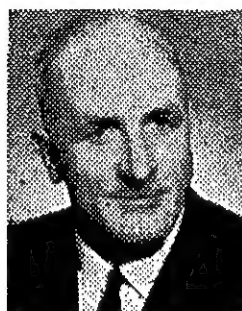
Since the inception of the Altona Shire, the council had had a unanimous agreement on the rate pointed out Cr. Fisher. He suggested councillors consider this tradition and not despoil the record on this night.

The Shire President, Cr. S. G. McIntosh, asked councillors to vote on the motion.

Crs. den Dulk, Fisher, H. W. Lee and J. J. Ginifer voted for the 13.5c rate and Crs. W. L. J. Crofts and K. Jurga against.

The motion was carried. Absent were Crs. A. W. Bond and W. G. Cresser.

LIBERAL MAN WINS LALOR SEAT



Mr. Mervyn Lee, a Broadford draper, has won the Federal Seat of Lalor from Mr. Reg Pollard.

When preferences were fully distributed on Tuesday Mr. Lee had polled 49,613 votes to Mr. Pollard's 48,244—a lead of 1369.

Mr. Pollard had been in parliament since 1937 and has held Lalor since 1949. He is a former Federal Minister for Commerce and Agriculture.

Mr. Lee, 46, is the father of a young family.

He is the treasurer of the Broadford branch of the Liberal Party and it is the first time he has stood for election to Federal Parliament.

Lalor has always been a blue ribbon Labor seat and in previous elections Mr. Pollard has been returned with an absolute majority. The most remarkable

thing about the election is that Mr. Lee received no aid from Government Ministers or Members. He campaigned without calling meetings and without any real promises.

Mr. Lee has said he believed the surprise swing for the Liberal Party—and himself—came from Altona and Sunshine, which have always been traditional Labor areas.

WIG-WAG SIGNAL FOR PIER STREET

The Pier Street level crossing is to get flashing warning lights soon.

The railways, in a letter to the Shire council has announced that the provision of flashing light signals at Pier Street level crossing is currently on the priority list for installation in accordance with plan approved by the council on January 17, 1966.

The work will be carried out in conjunction with the introduction of power signalling on the line.

It is expected that the warning device will come into operation in about May, 1967.

Billiard Parlor Planned

Plans are being made to open a billiards parlor in Altona.

Mr. Frank Latella of 119 Chambers Road, Altona North, has asked the Shire Council for permission to install a billiard table in an espresso coffee bar at 14 Borracock Square.

The council has decided to meet Mr. Latella and examine the proposal and the qualifications of Mr. Latella in a similar manner to the way in which it dealt with a recent application for a slot car racing centre.

The council has been told in a report that the shop is owned by J. and M. Bartolotta. The Health Inspector will ensure that Health Regulations are complied with from the point of view of food premises and recommendation will be made to the next Meeting for registration, but the conducting of a billiard table puts the building in a Public Building category. The Health Department allows Councils to control such buildings.

Satisfactory toilet facilities exist and there seems to be no reason why the registration should not be given, the report said.

The Bar Opens at the Altona Working Men's Club



The Altona Working Men's Club was granted a liquor licence last Wednesday (November 30), which was a fitting climax to seven years of planning and organisation by the committee and members. Shown above are a few of the members celebrating in the bar on the Wednesday night. From the left of the photo is Alan Lyon (president), Bill Spence (secretary), Bill Parker, management committee members Gordon Stirling, George McCallum, Charlie Thompson and treasurer Alan Baker.

(Photo by Barry Sutton—65-6017.)

EDITORIAL

A RISE IN RATES

A decision confirming a rise in rates in Altona has been made.

There have been some recriminations relative to aspects of the increase—some criticism on logical grounds and some not.

It can be agreed that the increased impost was based on an unfortunate combination of circumstances—most of which were to an extent foreseeable.

The present rise in all its severity must be accepted.

Ratepayers, however, need an assurance that the Shire's finances are under such control as to prevent any likelihood of a repetition of this year's situation.

Obviously the loan position must have constant attention until a more equitable position is reached.

Loan service charges in proportion to revenue should not rise, but rather progressively reduce.

The resultant fact that necessary capital works may be a direct charge against current revenue and will delay future progress must also be accepted.

The relationship between estimated expenditure and total net annual valuation (on which rates are based) must be the all-important consideration of councillors.

It is likely that industrial build up may tend to restore the position. However, it is essential that councillors do not depend on fortuitous building and other activity, but rather on an assessment based on known facts.

All this can be summed up in one sentence: Council must "cut its cloth to suit its cape."

We repeat, it is not enough for expenditure to be desirable. It must be necessary and expedient.

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WHAT'S BITING?

The winner of the 500 yards of nylon line for the heaviest schnapper caught up to the end of November is Charlie Dyke, of Galvin Street, Altona West.

Charlie's fish weighed 20lb. 6oz. and he has already received his prize, donated by Ken Kim's Pier Street Sports Store.

The new competition now under way is for the heaviest freshwater fish taken in the next two months. So all you anglers going fishing up north over Christmas, don't forget to report any good catches.

The bad weather for the last week put paid to any chance of good catches by the locals. Ken Wise was the only successful report to come in over the weekend. He had a party from I.P.E.C. out, who landed two 8lb. schnapper.

Ken went close to Indented Heads on Sunday with the Yarraville Angling Club and five counts up to 6lb. were taken, as well as good hauls of flathead. The largest flathead weighed 6lb. 10oz.

Without many reports to hand this weekend, we are publishing an article on the trout's feeding habits and we feel it will be of interest to all freshwater fishermen.

THE TROUT'S FEEDING HABITS

Why is it that some streams, although they look like first-class trout waters, never produce anything larger than a two pounder?

The answer is there is insufficient food in these streams to produce big fish.

NATIVE FISH ARE SLOW FEEDERS

Our native fishes—blackfish, Murray cod, Macquarie perch, catfish and eels—are all sluggish fish and they feed mainly on items of food found on the bed of the stream or lagoon. Yabbies and other creatures that inhabit the bottom of the streams are eaten freely, as are all those drowned land creatures which finish up on the river bed. Such items like worms, caterpillars, centipedes, etc., make up the bulk of the food eaten by these sluggish fish. Trout, however, are vigorous fish and they depend less on bottom food than anything else for their feeding.

THREE METHODS OF FEEDING

BOTTOM FEEDING.—Although trout will feed on the bottom at times, it usually only adopts this method when the water is discoloured, or when the food supply is so bad the fish have to rely on what is washed into the stream. Thus the trout only feed extensively on the bottom in the early part of the season, or when the stream is discoloured after rain.

MIDWATER FEEDING.—The trout spends almost two-thirds of its feeding time ranging through the stream searching for items of food being washed along in the current or chasing free-swimming nymphs.

SURFACE FEEDING.—The trout feed at the surface when there is a number of insects hatching out on the surface or when there are numbers of land insects falling on to the water.

WATCH THE INSECTS

Usually when the trout are feeding at the surface it is quite easy to see what insect the fish are taking. All the fly man has to do is to match the natural with something in his fly box. It is seldom of any use casting a dry fly on deep water unless the fish are rising, but on shallow waters the surface artificial will often take trout whether they are rising or not.

MINNOWS PRODUCE BIG TROUT

If the trout is limited to feeding on insects, particularly those like nymphs, etc., we naturally expect it to be limited in size. On large waters where the insects available may be of a larger size and in greater numbers we can expect the trout to be proportionately larger. In those streams and lakes where there are large numbers of smelt, galaxias or pigmy perch we can expect some of the trout to attain a very large size, as small fish are an excellent food.

THE IMPORTANCE OF INSECTS

It may often be noticed that when a stream which has never been stocked before is stocked with trout these fish will rapidly attain a large size. This is possible because of the large supply of minnows and smelt in the stream and the large numbers of insects.

We have a few native fish like the pigmy perch, gudgeon and galaxias which feed on insects but these fish are so few in numbers and so small that the insects available more than meet their needs. But when trout were released into the streams as fry they feed freely on the insects for the first 12 months and then turned their attention to the small native fishes. The small fishes in our streams were not used to competing with or being chased by, so swift a fish that they were soon thinned out by the fast-growing, fast-feeding trout.

Most streams will be able to stand up to the stocking of trout for about four years, but after this period the available food supply will be so depleted that the younger generations of fish will be unable to attain the large size of their forefathers.

TIDES

Following are times for high and low tides at Williamstown for the week ending December 14:—

for the week ending		December	
14:—			
December	a.m.	p.m.	a.m. p.m.
7 Wed.	9.23	9.39	2.52 3.43
8 Thur.	10.12	11.01	3.48 4.45
9 Fri.	11.17	—	4.55 5.59
10 Sat.	12.27	12.01	6.14 7.15
11 Sun.	1.49	12.57	7.36 8.21
12 Mon.	3.03	1.53	8.45 9.15
13 Tues.	4.05	2.47	9.42 10.03
14 Wed.	4.55	3.39	10.33 10.45

Bulldog Skindiving Club Has A Win

Last Sunday week an aggregate and competition between the Sea Urchins and Bulldog Skindiving Clubs was held at Woolamal beach where conditions were good.

The Bulldogs had victory over the Sea Urchins by one fish. Terry Watson weighed in the most fish, scoring 114 points and is leading the Bulldog's aggregate.

Three members went to Mt. Gambier last weekend for a competition between Victoria and South Australia, which had to be abandoned owing to poor visibility and heavy seas. The trip was not wasted as diving in Huen Ponds and the fantastic visibility and fishing conditions at Cape Nelson near Portland made up for all disappointments.

The age of juniors competing in aggregates, etc., is now under 18 years instead of 16 years. This was voted on last meeting.

Intending new members can contact George Gardiner, 4 Delacy Street, Maidstone, phone 317-9617.



Results of Altona Ladies Bowling Club pennant matches played on Tuesday, December 6, are as follows—

Altona No. 1 70, defeated Williamstown 67.

Altona No. 2 88, defeated Murrumbidgee Park 51.

Altona No. 3 68, defeated Fawkner 29.

Birthday greetings this week go to Bill Monkhouse and Tom Mitchell.

The ROSTER for Saturday, December 10, is V. Bush, Jess Monkhouse, M. Andress and R. Fisher.

Church Notices



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2.30 p.m.: Intermediate Christian Endeavour.

7 p.m.: Evening Service.

Minister—Pastor R. J. Reynolds, 62 Blyth Street, Altona.

Telephone: 65-8829.

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Railway Street, Altona.

Masses.

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Holy Days: 7, 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

First Fridays: 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Week Days: 7 a.m.

Saturdays: 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

First Friday (Maltese): 4 and 5.30 p.m.

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Holy Days: 8 a.m. and 6.15 p.m.

First Fridays: 6.15 p.m.

Week Days: Thursdays, 11 a.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

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Queen Street, Altona.

VICAR—The Rev. John Lawley, The Vicarage, 7 Bent Street, Altona. Telephone: 398-1005.

Sunday Services.

8 a.m.: Holy Communion.

9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion (first, third and fifth Sundays).

Matins (second and fourth Sundays).

7 p.m.: Evensong.

Sunday School.

Sundays at 9.30 a.m.

St. Clement's

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Sunday Worship: 11 a.m., Parish Eucharist.

First Sunday in the month: Family Service.

VICAR—Rev. Dargaville, St. Thomas' Church, Werribee.

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St. Luke's

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11 a.m.: Sunday School.

Wednesday.

10 a.m.: Holy Communion.

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Sunday.

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10 a.m.: Sunday School (members of the Sunday School join in Worship from 9.30 till 10 a.m.).

7 p.m.: Worship and Christian Education.

MINISTER—Rev. John Haysey, The Manse, 9 Lindwood Avenue, Altona. Telephone 398-1591.

9 Paringa Road, Altona North.

Sunday.

11 a.m.: Worship Service.

League of Young Worshipers share in the Worship from 11 to 11.30 a.m.

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The Social Whirl

If you have any news of a birthday, engagement, wedding, or social event, it can be included in these pages. Phone 65-8277—there is no charge.

ANDRESS-JONES WEDDING



(Photo by Barry Sutton—65-6017.)

Smiling happily after their marriage in November at the Holy Trinity Church, Williamstown, are Mr. John Andress and his bride, the former Miss Sandra Jones, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jones of Bronte Court, Williamstown.

The bridegroom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Andress of Railway Street, Altona.

For her wedding the bride wore a full length frock of guipure lace and tulle. Her fingertip veil was held by a coronet of flowers and she carried a trailer of gardenias and tuber roses.

Bridesmaids, Miss Maree McAuliffe and Miss Judith Anderson wore full length frocks of pale blue nylon satin and they carried snowballs of white carnations.

Best man was Mr. Les Moore and the groomsman was Mr. John Clarke.

The bride's mother wore a suit of wild rice corded tereylene with pink accessories. A lemon chiffon frock with bone accessories was worn by the groom's mother.

The breakfast and reception were held in the Altona Youth Hall.

When the couple left for their honeymoon destination at Ebdon on the Murray River the bride wore an aqua and white linen and pure silk three piece suit and white accessories.

St. Eanswythe's Young Wives

At the annual meeting of the Young Wives Group of St. Eanswythe's Church of England held late in November the following office-bearers were elected—
LEADER: M. Barrow; DEPUTY LEADER: S. King; SECRETARY: L. McKenna; TREASURER: K. Anthony; LITERATURE SECRETARY: R. Lawley; ATTENDANCE SECRETARY: J. McGuckian; LINK CORRESPONDENCE: A. Lynch; PUBLIC RELATIONS: M. Rice.

On Tuesday next, December 13, the Christmas break-up party will be held in the Church Hall, Queen Street, Altona, at 8 p.m. A "back to school" reunion theme will colour the program.

There will be appropriate items and Father Christmas will arrive. Members are reminded to bring along a gift to the value of 30c for "him" to distribute.

A cordial invitation to attend the party is extended to all past and present members and it is hoped that everyone who can, will "dig up" those old school clothes and come along to join in the fun.

ENGAGEMENT

Her engagement to the boy next door has been announced for the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Richards of Grieve Highway, Altona.

The newly engaged couple both live in Springfield Road, Nunawading at numbers 299 and 297.

They are Sharyn Richards only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Richards and Bruce, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kendall.

The engagement was announced on Sharyn's nineteenth birthday at a party at her home on November 26. Among the 60 guests were her grand-parents.

Sharyn's ring is a diamond solitaire set in yellow gold.

Final Film Society Screening For 1966

The Altona Film Society will hold its final screening for the year on Thursday, December 8, at 7.30 p.m. in the Civic Hall.

The program will include "Alice in Wonderland," "The Lady Vanishes" and "The Pleasure Garden."

Supper will be served for members of the society at the conclusion of the screening.

St. Eanswythe's Street Stall Success

St. Eanswythe's Church of England Ladies Guild wish to thank everybody for their support of the street stall on December 1. It was much appreciated.

Approximately \$65 was taken.

WILSON-WALLWORK WEDDING



(Photo by Barry Sutton—65-6017.)

A honeymoon motoring in the Australian Alps followed the marriage of Mr. Harry Wilson and the former Miss Jean Wallwork at the Altona Presbyterian Church on November 19.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Wallwork, of Bayview Street, Altona. She wore a full-length gown of white shantung which had a guipure top and guipure lace trim around the hem line and train. Her shoulder length veil was held by a coronet of flowers. She carried a bouquet of gardenias.

Matron of Honour, Mrs. Nicky Loverich, and bridesmaids, Miss Vicky Watkins, wore full length frocks of yellow crepe and carried posies of yellow carnations. The groom, who is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson, of Romawi Street, Altona,

was attended by Alan Purdon as best man and groomsman was the bride's brother, Keith Wallwork.

The bride's mother wore a pale green tiesilk frock with matching hat and bronze accessories.

A pale yellow suit with brown accessories was worn by the groom's mother.

Among the 100 guests at the reception in the Civic Hall were family friends from Sydney. Telegrams were received from relatives and friends in Sydney and Perth.

The couple plan to settle in Altona.

BARTLETT-BRUHN WEDDING

Dr. Irving Benson officiated at the marriage of Sylvia Bruhn and Dennis Bartlett at Wesley Church on Saturday, November 26.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bruhn of Bunbury Street, Footscray, and the groom the second son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bartlett of 5 Blyth Street, Altona.

The bride wore a white satin gown and a lace coat and train. Her shoulder length veil was held in place by a white flower and she carried white carnations. She was attended by two bridesmaids and a flowergirl dressed in aqua.

Mr. Ron Smith was best man and a friend of the groom was groomsman.

The bride's mother wore an aqua frock and coat and matching hat and the bridegroom's mother wore a peacock blue frock and hat and black accessories.

A reception for 150 guests was held at the Savoy Plaza and among the guests was the bridegroom's brother, John, who came down from New Guinea to attend the wedding.

Following their honeymoon at Mt. Buffalo the couple are settling into their new home at Avondale Heights.

21st BIRTHDAY

More than 120 guests helped Geoffrey Edwards celebrate his coming of age at a party at the Civic Hall last Saturday night.

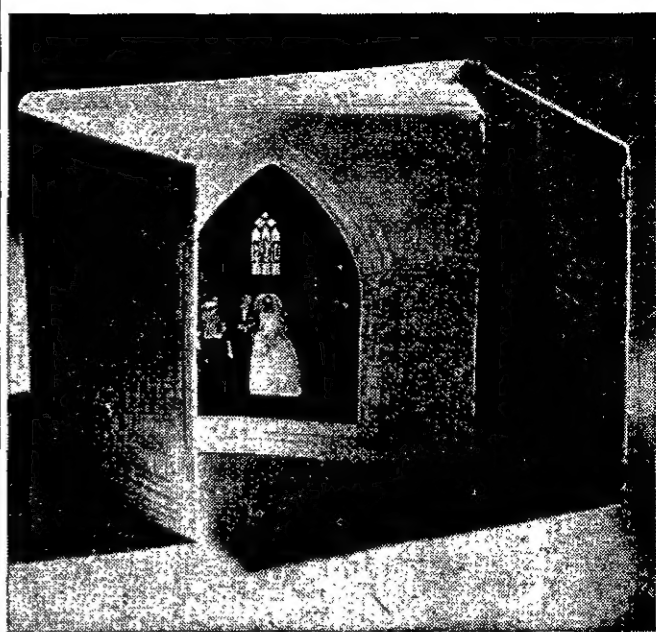
Geoffrey who was 21 on December 1, is the only son of Mrs. Irene Edwards of Queen St., Altona, and the late Mr. Frank Edwards and is a grandson of Mrs. Alice Watson, also of Queen Street.

Helping to receive the guests were Geoffrey's two sisters, Susan and Vivienne.

Among the guests were family friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith, of Albury.

Geoffrey received a number of messages of congratulations including a telegram from Adelaide and a cable from relatives in England.

Music for the evening was provided by Ricky and the Emotions.



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Little Hope For Rail Extension

It is reasonable to assume that on present allocations for railway extensions in Victoria, there is practically no hope of the Altona railway line being extended to Weston Station, said Cr. J. J. Ginifer, M.P., in State Parliament last week.

As a further attempt to obtain action on the extension, Cr. Ginifer said he would appreciate it if the Minister of Transport would discuss the matter with him or perhaps receive a deputation from the Altona Shire Council.

Cr. Ginifer said—
"I now desire to refer to sub-item 303 of the schedule, which provides for expenditure on other lines the construction of which has been or may be authorised by Parliament. In this respect, I refer to the Altona Railway Extension Act which was passed by Parliament some 18 months ago and which authorised certain railway extensions in Altona. Section 7 of that Act provides, inter alia—

"Notwithstanding anything in section 5 of this Act the council of the Shire of Altona may without cost or expenses to the Board purchase or take and transfer to the Board free of all encumbrances (except necessary easements of sewerage) any land within the municipal district of the said shire which may be required by the Board for the purposes of this Act . . .

"The municipality has honoured its obligations in regard to this project. Sub-item 303 of the schedule to this Bill allocates only \$50,000 for expenditure on railway extensions throughout Victoria. The work envisaged in the Altona Railway Extension Bill is estimated to cost in the vicinity of \$190,000, although the allocation made for such work in this Bill is only \$50,000. The council has been informed that the delay in providing the railway extension at Altona is occasioned by the exorbitant cost involved and that the question of grade separation also arises. The council has no argument with the Minister on the principle that in further railway extensions the provision of additional level crossings should be avoided. The estimated cost of the Altona railway extension is \$190,000, and of the whole project, including grade separation, some \$574,000. If this is the estimated cost of constructing 1 mile of railway line, it is reasonable to assume that there is practically no hope of the provisions of the Act which authorised the Altona railway extension being implemented.

"The local council would like the Government to consider the suggestion that, although the Government's policy is not to construct railway lines which entail additional level crossings, an exception might be made in this instance, because although no great volume of traffic would use the level crossing, there is great potential for this line from a passenger service point of view, particularly having in mind that Cabinet has agreed that the Altona council shall have the opportunity to purchase from the Government the former Truganina Explosives Reserve for development as a housing estate. There is no public transport extension would provide a port in this area, and the rail-much-needed service. Further, the Altona council has offered to assist the Railway Department or the Government by depositing the sum of \$24,000 to meet the cost of installing lights and boom gates at the level crossing if the railways construct the line. I do not wish to detain honorable members any further at this stage, but I felt I should point out that there is a case for the Government to consider in connection with this proposed railway extension. I should appreciate it if, at some time in the near future, the Minister would discuss the matter with me or perhaps receive a deputation from the Altona council."

ALTONA EAST SCHOLARSHIPS

Following is the list of scholar ship winners for 1966 from the Altona East Primary School—
Top Boy and Girl: PETROLEUM REFINERIES (\$12 for two years): John Lukacs and Carole McDowell.

Leading Boys and Girls.—CARBON BLACK (\$20): Joseph Reece, Donald Mills, Cheryl Wood and Sandra Hatzis.

Most Deserving.—R. J. GILBERTSON (\$10.50): Steven Wilkinson, Shane Sullivan, Marion Colquhoun and Patricia Walsh.

Most Improved.—ALTONA EAST MOTHERS' CLUB (\$10): Raymond Harfield, Peter Parkhill, Wendy Welgus, and Sharon Stovell.

TEACHERS LEAVING

A number of teachers are leaving Altona East at the end of this year and will be greatly missed. They are—

Mr. G. Tolsher, transfer to the Curriculum and Research Branch on Mathematics; Mr. R. Miller, 12 months' leave of absence for teaching and travel overseas, and on return promotion to Brooklyn West; Mr. P. Fanning, promotion to Footscray North; Mr. C. Ellam, promotion to Richmond; Mrs. Y. Honey, promotion to Wembley; Miss C. Trenfield, transfer to Seaholme; Miss M. Whelan, transfer to Longeronong College; Miss M. Newby, transfer to Sunshine North; Miss A. Smith, transfer to Carlyle River; Miss S. Simpson, transfer to Queenscliffe.

Attention Drawn To Rail Problems

The attention of the Minister of Transport was drawn to three problems associated with the Altona and Laverton areas by Cr. J. J. Ginifer, M.P., in Parliament recently.

Cr. Ginifer said: "I wish to relate my remarks to item 103, which deals with automatic signaling and, in particular, to the Altona service. I direct the attention of the Minister to Transport to the disappointment that was evident in Altona some few weeks ago when, owing to an industrial dispute, the passenger service was interrupted. For a time, the whole service was withdrawn, thereby causing great inconvenience to local residents. There is no alternative public transport from Altona to the city which could, in the event of a break-down of the rail service, cope with the volume of passengers requiring transport.

"Under item No. 122, I direct the attention of the House to the train service from Werribee and Laverton to the city. Trains on this line are used in the mornings and evenings by students. It has been reported to me that overcrowding on some trains is such that it is almost impossible for passengers to join the trains at intermediate stations. I should be obliged if the Minister would investigate this complaint to ascertain whether the existing service could be augmented.

"Item 106 relates to grade separation works at level crossings. It is pleasing that the Government is making some headway in the elimination of level crossings. In dealing with this item, the explanation memorandum circulated with the Bill states, inter alia—

"In addition funds are required for land acquisition in praeparation for grade separation work to be carried out in later years."

"One of the projects mentioned is grade separation at Millers Road, Paisley. I have been asked by the local council to direct attention to this project; the council would like this work to be expedited as the delay is holding up road construction works in the area."

THIS CLEARS THE AIR!

At least once a day a 14-ton steam-heated road-tanker leaves Altona Refinery—as a result of PRA's air pollution control measures.

The tanker carries away sulphur—99.98 per cent. pure—which has been recovered from the refinery gas streams.

Before the sulphur recovery plant was installed in 1959, the sulphur compounds recovered from crude oil were burned as waste products—and exhaled into the atmosphere as a dense, white smoke, aesthetically objectionable and resulting in considerable Altona acrimony.

But, today, the plant—through a series of burners and condensers—converts the sulphur gases to liquid at an average rate of about 20 tons a day . . . and the smoke evil has gone.

The liquid sulphur is taken from the refinery in a tanker, steam heated for half an hour before the sulphur is piped in.

The tanker goes to the Yarraville works of Imperial Chemical Industries of Australia where the sulphur is used to manufacture sulphuric acid.

The acid is used for many purposes, including fertilisers, and some returns to the refinery to be used in refining processes.

Air in its pure state is an invisible, odourless mixture of gases.

It contains about 78 per cent. nitrogen and 21 per cent. oxygen. The other one per cent. consists mainly of argon, carbon dioxide and traces of neon, helium, ozone, xenon, hydrogen, methane, krypton and varying amounts of water vapor.

In the strictest sense, air becomes contaminated whenever anything is added to it. Yet, the atmosphere can contain contaminants and remain unobjectionable.

It becomes objectionable only when such large quantities of impurities are added that they cannot be dispersed by wind or in some other way.

Air pollution is not a new problem. It was a problem long before the advent of fuel-burning locomotives, heavy industries, motor cars or oil refineries.

Mother Nature herself is a prime offender. Trees are said to foul the air with 10 times more pollutants than all of man's fires, factories and vehicles.

They emit molecular substances known as torpenor and esters, which are cast with sunlight to form a smog similar to the one produced by man-made pollutants.

At the refineries at Altona and Adelaide PRA applies every possible control to prevent the air being polluted.

Equipment necessary to bring about these controls is introduced or expanded whenever the need arises. More than half a million dollars has been spent at Altona alone to control atmospheric and water pollution.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,
To Mrs. Phyllis Cresser, Observer could quite easily be living in Altona while not being 100 per cent. in favour of how it is run. If he or she is a ratepayer he or she is entitled to voice an opinion without being told to get out.
Perhaps after what happened to the "Altona Star" and Barry Sutton Observer is afraid of reprisals if his or her name is made public.

As for vicious attacks, they come from within the Labor Party, too, as my husband and I found out when he was elected as an independent Altona Riding Councillor to the Werribee Shire Council.

Don't forget, Mrs. Cresser, it was a Liberal Government which gave us severance and a chance to develop Altona after we had previously been knocked back by the Cain Labor Government.

I have enjoyed living in Altona for the past 19 years and it is a wonderful place in which to rear a family.

(Mrs.) A. E. WARD.
P.S.: I don't even know Cr. Crofts.

HOLIDAY CENTRES AGAIN

Once again the National Fitness Council, in conjunction with the Shire Council, is conducting two Free Play Centres for the children of the Altona district.

The Play Centres are staffed by qualified and partly trained teachers, who give up 3 weeks of their leave, to provide an exciting and varied programme for the children.

The programme at the Centre covers a variety of activities—craft and hobbies, puppetry, art, for the quieter children and all sorts of games for those who like to run about and let off steam, despite the temperature.

Excursions are organised from the Centre at a nominal fee and these cover a Fire Brigade Demonstration at Eastern Hill Fire Station, a visit to the pantomime in the city, swimming excursions—the latter being highlighted by an Inter-centre Swimming Sports on Friday, January 13.

No enrolment is required for the Play Centre, but a Parent's Form obtainable during the Play Centre period, must be completed before children take part in excursions.

A Parents' Day will be held on Thursday, January 12, at 10-30 a.m. and all parents are invited to see their children at work and at play. Towards the end of the 3 weeks, the children work for an Art Display and Competitive Field Day, against all other Centres on this side of Melbourne, giving an extra highlight to the Play Centre.

The local centres will be located at the Altona Youth Centre, Grant Reserve, Civic Parade, and Altona North Youth Centre, Langshaw Reserve, Marion St., for Children aged 5-14 years, from January 9-January 27.

Supervisors will be Mr. Bill Hodgson and Mr. Ted Coleman.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,
I don't suppose there are many of your readers who would remember that Altona had a very good brass band when there were only a few hundred residents.

This band was supported by the Altona people who in those days had a great civic pride in what the various clubs were doing.

How many of us remember with joy the day (A.N.A. Day) when all our sporting bodies got together and with a fancy dress parade down Pier Street to the beach, to start the day rolling, would give us a great day of pleasure and pride. People from other parts would come to Altona on that day just to join in the fun.

In reply to Mr. Mildenhall about the defeat of the Labor Party in the elections and his mention of Mr. Arthur Calwell. I doubt that he would have even a vestige of the courage that Mr. Calwell had in carrying on after shots had been fired into his fact and I'm sure that the petty little shots fired at him through the medium of a letter from Mr. Mildenhall would not upset him in the least.

There were 5119 votes for the Labor candidate in Altona and I hope that each one of you feel as I do when I read some of the drivel in the letters to the local papers in opposition to the Labor men.

Anyone can see that this is nothing more than a lead up to a big splash for a campaign when the elections come around. It is almost in the form of brain washing of which we read so much of lately.

When the D.L.P. was formed I gave my opinion of them to a leading D.L.P. member of Altona, that so long as a party calling themselves representatives of the working people gave their preference vote to the Liberal Party, they cannot be true representatives of the working people.

If ever I changed my vote it would be direct, not to a camouflage group.

P.S. How about "Ratepayer" signing his name. I do hope I am not on nodding acquaintance with him. VERA V. WELLS.

Round the Bay Power Boat Race

Entry forms are now available for the 1967 Castrol 100—a 100 mile power boat race around Port Phillip Bay.

The race, the richest of its kind in Australia, will again be held on Australia Day.

Prizes this year will exceed \$2000, including \$1000 from Castrol Limited and more than 120 entries are expected from Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.

The race is to be held in three sections, Open Speed, Handicap and Predicted Log.

The Open Speed event attracts some of the fastest boats in Australia and has been won in the past two years by John Haines, of Brisbane.

Last year he beat Sydney veterans Keith Whitehead and Jack Murray after a race-long duel in heavy seas. The seas were so heavy that more than two-thirds of the field were forced to withdraw.

In the Handicap Section boats are timed on the first half of their journey and given a handicap for the second leg so that in theory, they will all approach the finish line together.

An increase in speed of more than two per cent. in the final leg will mean disqualification for any boat in this section.

Predicted Log event is a test of individual skill.

Entrants choose one of two selected courses around the bay and must nominate the time they will take to complete the course.

In the past two years this section has attracted such skilful entrants that judges have to use Longines timing equipment which can record times in tenths of a second.

The entry forms are available from Box 2053S, G.P.O., Melbourne, or from the organisers, telephone 34-4111.

CAR WRECKING BUSINESS TO STAY

Altona Auto Parts has been granted a shire council permit to continue the car wrecking business in Pier Street.

Originally the shire council had voted not to give a permit to the owners, Newham and Sons, because the site had not been cleaned up according to the council's wishes.

But at the last council meeting, Cr. A. W. Bond, reported that "The front is very, very tidy, and they are waiting for the glaziers to put windows in the new building."

He moved that the permit be granted, and the council agreed.

1st Altona Scouts

A successful games night was held last Saturday at the Altona Scout Hall.

The results of the Christmas Special Effort are as follows—1st, Mr. C. Hill, 16 Mulga St.; 2nd, Mrs. L. Thomas, 23 Medford St.; 3rd, Miss Zeta Harvey, C/- Seaholme Kindergarten.

The last Group Committee meeting this year will be held next Monday, December 12. All parents are invited to attend.

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Shire President's Daughter To Marry

McINTOSH-CASHA

The marriage of Jacqueline McIntosh and Charles Casha will take place at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, December 10, at 4.30 p.m.

Jacqueline is the daughter of the Shire President of Altona, Cr. S. G. McIntosh.

There will be about 180 guests at the reception, including Cr. J. J. Glinfer, M.P., and Mr. Kinniburgh, of Ballarat.

SEE THE COUNCIL IN ACTION

Want a free night out, a free supper, and a first hand picture of who runs Altona and how Altona is run?

The Altona Shire Council meets at 8 p.m. every second and fourth Monday of each month under the big round copper dome of the Civic Centre, Civic Parade.

Anyone is entitled to sit and watch the proceedings of all the council's meetings that are not in committee.

At the last meeting there were 14 spectators in the public gallery, two of them women.

Often there are many more.

The gallery is supplied with a number of copies of the meeting's agenda, and a special set of explanations of council procedure so that the public can more readily understand what is going on.

Visitors are not allowed to take part in debate while the meetings are in session, but may speak privately to councillors at a free supper afterwards.

The next meeting is this coming Monday, December 12.

It can be an entertaining evening and it enables the ratepayers to see in action the councillors that they have elected to office.

CAMERA HAPPY?

If you are interested in a photographic hobby why not join the Altona Camera Club?

With lectures, demonstrations, competitions and outings you will soon realise the enjoyment which can be derived from this fascinating hobby.

The last meeting for this year will be held on December 9 at the Homestead, Queen Street, Altona. The meeting begins at 7.15 p.m.

Beginners are welcome.

DOG LOST

A black dog wandered into a Romawi Street home on Monday night. It has apparently been well cared for, though either through an accident or an ailment it is not active at the moment.

It is at present residing at 13 Romawi Street, or inquiries can be made to 65-8972.

Altona Historical Society

The Altona Historical Society will hold its last meeting for the year on Wednesday, December 14, at 8 p.m. in the society's room, 128 Queen Street, Altona.

The usual monthly meeting will not be held in January, so the date for the first meeting in 1967 will be February 15.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

We appreciate our Civic Fathers mooting two garbage cans per week.

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First Licensed Dance This Saturday

With registration of the Altona Working Men's Club, the dances should now become more popular and frequent—and according to reports from the Dance Committee, there has been a big demand for tickets.

Any member desiring tickets should contact **Keith Neyland**, convenor of the Dance Committee at the "Altona Star", phone 65-8277, or inquire at the club office if you don't want to miss out on this first club dance with refreshments.

Tickets are 50c each and bring your own basket supper.

ASSOCIATES CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP PARTY

Monday night, December 12, is the big night for the ladies—after another hectic year of many sided activities, they all come together for the festive season break-up party.

The record attendance in previous years was about 100—surely in this historic year for the club the figure of 140 could be reached and that would mean approximately 50 per cent. of the Associate Section.

The theme of the party this year is "back to school," so dig out your 1920 school uniforms, photos, etc., and present yourselves for the end of term session.

MINIATURE BILLIARDS FOR THE LADIES

Coin operated miniature billiard tables have now been installed in the ladies lounge and also the bar. Both are proving quite popular and it is anticipated commencing a competition at an early date.

SPECIAL ISSUE OF "CLUB NEWS"

To acquaint all members of the official bar trading hours and the by-laws regarding conduct of members and visitors in the club, the Management Committee has published and circulated to members a special edition of "Club News."

An earnest appeal is made by the Management Committee to study the extracts from the by-laws concerning visitors. In fact, it would be convenient for members to keep this printed news sheet in their possession.

The members of the club discussed and decided upon their own rules and by-laws to govern the conduct of the club, but the Licensing Laws of Victoria are and have been decided by other authorities and the club is obliged to respect them.

Therefore, it is the responsibility of each member to become acquainted with the constitution and by-laws of their club, as the committee cannot be concerned with discussions and interpretations at the door. It is not the desire of the committee to embarrass any member by having to turn his or her intended visitors away at the door.

BEETLE DRIVE

The next Beetle Drive will be held on Friday, December 16, at 8 p.m. Donation is 30c and you can obtain your tickets from the club office.

COMPLAINT RECEIVED OVER CARAVAN SALES

The Altona Shire Council has received a ratepayer's complaint and claims against a caravan sales business in McIntosh Road, Altona North.

It has backed a report by the Shire Secretary, Mr. J. W. Waters, who said that one of the claims is not exactly correct—and that the traffic officer has dealt with the man's other claims.

The ratepayer, who was not named in a report to the council, said in his letter:

"Being an Altona ratepayer I would like to complain about a caravan sales business operating in a residential zone at 93 McIntosh Road, Altona North. I have had two occasions to drive along that road and have been amazed at the traffic congestion outside this business. Cars are double parked because there have been caravans (three) parked on the road and work was in process of being carried out on these vans.

"I remarked to two residents in the area that this set up was contradictory to the rules and regulations of town planning and such a business should be conducted in an area zoned for that purpose.

"This type of business operating in a residential zone is a traffic hazard for children and I am rather surprised that caravans are allowed to be parked on the road in order to undergo repairs and/or for display purposes.

"The flats on the property from which this business is conducted have caravans on one

side and caravans in the front of the flats therefore not allowing the required off-street parking for residents of the flats, and this in itself is an infringement of the Uniform Building Regulations. There is no driveway across the footpath from the block of land at the side of the flats where the caravans are displayed. The only entry is from McIntosh Road and this means the caravans are passing over the footpath.

"I would appreciate your investigation into why such a business is allowed to operate in a residential zone," the letter concluded.

The Shire Secretary told the council—

"An inspection of the area shows that the vacant lot has about 10 caravans thereon. The traffic officer has issued parking infringement notices in respect of caravans which were parked on the nature strip.

"Steps will be taken regarding the damage to footpath because there is no vehicular entry to the vacant lot.

"However, the allegation that the building is used as flats is not strictly correct.

"It contains an office for the conducting of the business and home of the caretaker/staff."

The council, at its last meeting, endorsed the secretary's report.

ALTONA PRIMARY STAGES OPERETTA

Last Monday night was the Altona Primary School's first ever presentation of an operetta. It is hoped it will not be the last. The children's operetta, "Peach Blossom," was presented as the second half of the school's concert program.

The singing was a pleasant surprise and some sweet voices were revealed amongst the young actresses.

Main roles were played by Christine Logan (Peach Blossom), Julie Findlay (the unseen nightingale) and Howard Berttram (Emperor of Japan).

Howard had a particularly strong and commanding voice. Stephen Foksett was Fusi Jama.

The two comedians, Ben Gronon (Ching Chang) and Frank McGrath (Hi Ti) raised a number of laughs. A small girl in the audience was particularly amused everytime Frank scratched his head and said, "I never thought of that."

In certain spots it was not too clear if Frank and Ben were playing their parts as directed or whether they were trying to cover up "a fit of the laughs."

Costumes were very bright and colourful and the children's make-up had a professional touch.

At no time did the audience hear evidence of a prompter. Remarkable when you realise not one of the players would be more than 12 years of age.

Teacher Mr. Pitts, who envisaged this presentation, is to be congratulated on the production.

The first half of the concert was just as enjoyable. The school choir sang two brackets of numbers, a group of boys gave a lively gymnastic display and boys and girls of Grades 5 and 6 literally "threw themselves" into the folk dancing.

Again talent was revealed among the soloists.

"Sound of Music," sung by Lynne Evans, was a pleasure to listen to, as was Julie Findlay singing "Christopher Robin is Saying His Prayers." Between these two singers the audience listened to a piano solo played by Christine Logan.

Altona Tennis Club Teams and News

Altona Tennis Club's Senior and Junior teams for Saturday, December 10, are as follows—

SENIORS

A Grade v. Rosamond, away.—R. Graham, C. Trickey and M. Kelly. J. Parkinson, L. Findlay and M. Harrington. (Emergencies: O. Kelly and J. Kelly).

A Reserve 1 v. Power Street, at Altona.—J. Kelly, R. Turner and C. Turner. P. Trickey, O. Kelly and B. Angus. (J. Trickey and S. Adcock.)

A Reserve 2 v. Yarraville, at Altona.—J. Trickey, A. Angus and I. Harrington. S. Adcock, L. Hutton and G. Cronin. (G. Thomas and B. Mellington.)

B Special v. Diggers, at Altona.—B. Mellington, R. Walker and R. Newgreen. G. Thomas, T. Gunn and J. Spackman. (J. Bourke and A. Pimpini.)

B3 v. Footscray, away.—D. White, G. Russell and A. Pimpini. S. Rose, S. Morrow and J. Hill (K. Walsh, J. Grant and C. Harrington.)

UNDEFEATED

B Grade No. 1 ladies have gone undefeated in their first round. The ladies are S. Adcock, G. Cronin, T. Gunn, L. Hutton, M. Walker and J. Bourke.

JUNIORS

No. 1 Boys v. Liston, at Altona.—G. Findlay, J. Trickey, R. Snowling and A. Thomas. (Emergency: P. Sawyer.)

No. 2 Boys v. Kingsville, away.—G. Wood, T. Findlay, C. Sutton and P. Sawyer. (E. Sanfilippo.)

No. 3 Boys v. Liston, at Altona.—E. Sanfilippo, E. Puhar, E. Valenti and J. Rosenboom. (L. Plecta.)

No. 1 Girls v. Liston, at Altona.—M. Orchard, J. Neale, B. Sandilands and J. Walker. (M. Keisel.)

No. 2 Girls v. Liston-Esplanade, at Garden Street.—B. Walker, A. Rafferty, S. Keown and L. Smith. (D. Crofts.)

No. 3 Girls v. Kingsville, away.—R. Webb, J. Findlay, H. Shields and Y. Robertson. (J. Wise.)

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Cricket Round-up

CHURCH CRICKET

Results of the fifth round of matches of the Western Suburbs Protestant Churches Cricket Association completed last Saturday, December 3, are as follows:

A GRADE

Barkly Street 2/91 dec. and 2/95 (Walker 59 n.o. six sixes) d. Williamstown Congs 66 and 118.

Tottenham Baps. 179 d. Yarraville Congs. 42 and 5/126 (Newman 6/18).

St. Andrew's 3/261 dec. (Rowe 138, Garbutt 52) d. John Street 100 (Young 7/4) and 0/16.

Seddon Congs. 6/256 (Roberts 94, R. Manton 91) d. Newport Meths. 84 and 2/92.

B GRADE

Paisley Street 226 d. Kingsville Baps. 212 (Anderson 59).

All Saints 80 and 5/65 lost to Altona Baps. 5/186 dec.

North Williamstown 86 and 2/109 dec. lost to Yarraville Baps. 94 and 7/49 (K. Neville 5/27).

St. Stephen's 64 and 108 d. Yarraville Pres. 61.

ST. EANSWYTHE'S v. MAIDSTONE.

St. Eanswythes' were robbed of defeating the top side by the untimely arrival of the rain, which stopped play three hours early.

St. Eanswythe's.—1st Inns.: 126.

Maidstone.—1st Inns. (resumed at 4/37, Salter 4, Given 0):

SALTER, b Tyrell 15

GIVEN, not out 31

S. LOUGHRAN, c, b B. Garde 3

T. LOUGHRAN, b Stephenson 2

Sundries (4b, 1nb) 5

TOTAL Seven wickets for 88

BOWLING: P. Tyrell 3/43, R. Price 2/28, G. Stephenson 1/3, B Garde 1/9.

C GRADE

St. Andrew's 88 and 92 lost to Tottenham Baps. 148 and 2/101 dec. (Oates 50 n.o.).

Kingsville Baps. 157 and 4/87 d. Newport Baps. 133 and 7/67.

Christ Church 8/392 dec. d. Ballarat, Road 276 (Woodyard 60), Annear 55).

UNDER 16 (South Section)

W'TOWN CONGS. v. ST. EANSWYTHE'S.

St. Eanswythe's came from behind to win by nine wickets after Williamstown had been weakened by the loss of two players.

W'town Congs.—1st Inns.: 53.

St. Eanswythe's.—1st Inns.: 49.

W'town Congs.—2nd Inns.:

HOLMES, b Holden 0

BROWNING, stpd., b B. Garde 25

WEEDON, stpd., b B. Garde 8

WOOD, b Holden 2

REITMAN, c, b B. Garde 5

BEER, stpd., b Holden 1

J. BELL, c, b Holden 0

G. BELL, not out 0

Sundries (5nb) 5

TOTAL 46

BOWLING: J. Holden 4/12, B. Garde 3/29.

St. Eanswythe's.—2nd Inns.:

B. GARDE, not out 20

HOLDEN, lbw, b Holmes 25

D. CHALMERS, not out 2

Sundries (2b, 2nb) 5

TOTAL One wicket for 52

BOWLING: Holmes. 1/23, Weedon 0/12, Wood 0/12.

Williamstown Congs. 53 and 46, lost to St. Eanswythe's 49 and 1/52.

John Street 3/39 drew with Electra Street 5/111 dec.

North Williamstown 3/107 dec. d. Altona Pres. 32 and 15 (Williams 5/3).

St. Eanswythe's 126 drew with Maidstone Church of Christ 7/88.

NEXT MATCHES

W.A.F.D.C.A.

The draw for the sixth round of matches for the Williamstown, Altona and Footscray District Cricket Association, to be played on December 10 and 17, is as follows—

A GRADE TURF

Williamstown R.S.L. v. Williamstown Imps. West Newport v. Williamstown C.Y.M.S. Newport A.N.A. v. Southern Cross. Altona v. Newport Footballers.

B GRADE TURF

Spotswood Imps. v. Newport Baseballers. Powerhouse v. Newport A.N.A. Kororoit Stars v. Altona.

C GRADE TURF

Newport Footballers v. Altona. Altona North v. Spotswood Imps. C.F.C. v. Gellibrand (to be played at Grant No. 2).

MATTING

Williamstown Colts v. Youth Centre. Newport Y.C.W. v. Southern Cross. Williamstown Baseballers v. West Newport.

UNDER 16

Newport Y.C.W. v. Gellibrand. Newport v. Williamstown R.S.L. St. Mary's v. Altona North Tech. West Newport v. Newport A.N.A. Youth Centre v. Altona.

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W.S.P.C.C.A.

The draw for the sixth round of matches for the Western Suburbs Protestant Churches Cricket Association to be played on December 10 and 17, is as follows—

A GRADE

Y'ville Congs. v. W'town C. N'port Meths. v. St. And. Barkly St. v. Sed. Congs. John St. v. Tot. Baps.

B GRADE

Altona v. Paisley St. Y'ville Pres. v. Nth. W'town. K'ville Baps. v. St. Steph. Y'ville Baps. v. All Saints.

C GRADE

N'port Baps. v. St. And. Ballarat Rd. v. St. Eans. Tot Baps. v. Christ Ch. M'stone v. K'ville Baps.

UNDER 16—South Section

John St. v. St. Steph. Electra St. v. St. And. Christ Ch. v. Nth. W'town. West N'port v. St. Eans. Altona v. W'town Congs.

TABLE TENNIS NEWS

Western Suburbs Association

Presentation Night.

Players and their friends relaxed in a gay and colourful atmosphere at the I.C.I. Club, Deer Park, on Monday, December 5, for the 1966 Presentation Night and Cabaret Ball of the Western Suburbs Table Tennis Association.

A valuable array of trophies, premiership pennants and special awards were presented to outstanding players to mark their achievements during the year.

Top Player.

Award for the outstanding player of the year went to talented Robert Faust, currently playing with Seagull club and formerly of Australian Glass Manufacturers teams. Faust dominated the competition in A grade, led Seagulls to an A grade premiership, won the A grade Singles, with David Dey won the A Doubles, and also had a meteoric year in V.T.T.A. competitions.

Valerie Taylor, a dynamic hitter and winner of the 1966 Ladies Singles title, received her trophy from former champion Mrs. Maureen Melson, who won that honor in 1965. Also present was Dulcie McGlone, who won the Ladies Singles four times, in 1958, 1961, 1963-64, and in addition has won four Mixed Doubles titles.

David Dey, who has won the Junior Singles crown in effortless fashion over the last three years, received his trophy for the 1966 title, but now leaves Junior ranks finally because of age limitations.

UNDER 16 CRICKET

ALTONA v. NEWPORT Y.C.W.

Altona, weakened by absent key players, saw a close game on the first innings become an outright defeat.

Fine batting performances by Patton, Smith and Cook were the only players to trouble the bowling of Wilkie and Humphries.

T. Williams and R. Wilkie opened Newport Y.C.W.'s second innings to score the necessary runs for an outright win.

Altona.—1st Innings: 42.

Newport Y.C.W.—1st Inns.: 49.

Altona.—2nd Innings:

FLETT, lbw, b Humphries 2

PATTON, b Wilkie 7

SMITH, c, b Humphries 11

COOK, run out 4

VINES, b Wilkie 0

CULBERT, b Wilkie 1

HEANEY, not out 0

GRAINGER, c, b Wilkie 0

RAFFERTY, c, b Wilkie 0

DERN, absent 0

CAHILL, absent 0

Sundries 3

TOTAL 28

BOWLING: Wilkie 5/10, Humphries 2/10, T. Williams 0/5.

Newport Y.C.W.—2nd Innings:

T. WILLIAMS, not out 16

WILKIE, not out 13

Sundries 1

TOTAL No wickets for 30

BOWLING: Patton 0/12, Flett 0/17.

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Keystone Awards Presented

The much coveted Victorian Youth Club's Keystone Awards were presented to Robyn Deegan and Murray Cullen at the Altona Youth Club Parents' Night recently.

Watched by the many parents, friends and visitors who attended, Mr. Max Kidd presented the two important awards.

On this night various club activities were demonstrated.

The Handicraft Room was open to view and the examples of weaving on display were much admired. The Teenage Room also was open and Table Tennis activities carried on as usual.

A display by members commenced at 7.30 p.m. with the Junior Boys Gymnastic section performing a series of exercises and elementary gym work. 30 boys participated under instructor Harold Doerner.

Then followed the Junior Girls Gymnastics and Calisthenics under the instruction of Miss Robyn Deegan. About 25 girls gave a very fine performance with solo items by some of the girls.

The Intermediate Boys Gymnastic section gave a display of vaulting, mat work, horizontal bar work and exercises on the Roman Rings. Thirty boys took part in this display.

The Altona North Judo Boys under instructors Mr. Van Breda and Mr. Noble gave a professional display of Judo, commencing with warming-up exercises then examples of the different Judo holds.

This display was very interesting and Altona Youth Club will be commencing Judo classes in the coming year with the help of these instructors.

The Senior Girls under instructors Miss Faye Gathercole, gave a display of vaulting and mat work.

The Presentation of Merit programme and names of the members were read out by Mr. T. McGarry.

Mr. McGarry introduced the club's new President, Councillor Les Crofts and Mrs. Crofts to the audience. Cr. Crofts said he was very pleased to be able to be present and handed over to Mr. Kidd to make the Keystone Award.

THE KEYSTONE AWARD

The Keystone Award is the Victorian Association of Youth Clubs' Annual Award to encourage qualities of Leadership amongst the Senior members of Clubs affiliated with V.A.Y.C.

The actual nature of the Award is not as important as the prestige which the Association and each Member Club attaches to the giving of the Award. It is not to be regarded as an extra trophy for skill or special prowess in any particular activity. It is intended for presentation to those members who have shown loyalty to their club, have exhibited outstanding qualities of leadership and in all general ways contributed to the club's advancement and welfare.

Forewell Miss Ridsdale

Miss Angela Ridsdale, infant mistress at the Altona Primary School for the past eight years, was officially farewelled at the school concert in the Civic Hall last Monday night.

Next year Miss Ridsdale is taking a similar appointment out Dandenong way to be nearer her home.

In appreciation of her service to education in the Altona community the Shire President, Cr. S. G. McIntosh, presented Miss Ridsdale with a council testimonial which he said is not easily obtained.

The testimonial reads—

"The council of the Shire of Altona herein records the dedicated demeanour and sterling service in the field of education rendered for Altona community by Miss Angela Ridsdale, infant mistress of Altona Primary School for the years 1959-66.

"Not only has your mark been made in Altona area, but in the western division of the Education Department's primary school section as an advisor in mathematics, and indeed, State and Commonwealth-wide as a member of various Australian Broadcasting Commission committees.

"Your active interest and drive to interest pupils under your control, in cultural activities, particularly in children's ballet, has been appreciated by all.

"Indeed, all your contacts with parents and folk concerned with educational needs in general and the community in particular, have gone far beyond your normal school chores.

"We wish you well in your new sphere and thank you for those most pleasant and fruitful eight years."

Cr. McIntosh pointed out that in her official capacity as infant mistress, Miss Ridsdale has done much to fashion the ways of a large proportion of the Altona population—from the tender preparatory or first year at school, to the older ones, who met her seven or eight years ago and who are now primary school leavers.

He said, "The students and fellow teaching staff, the parents and citizens all alike are deeply appreciative of all that Miss Ridsdale has done for us."

A moving farewell was given by head master Mr. G. H. L. Treyvaud. He revealed that Miss Ridsdale could have moved on five years ago, but chose to

stay in this district and to continue her work which was not only in the school, but for the benefit of the community in general. He said she was a good friend of his family and he was sorry to lose her. He wished her well and said she deserved the best.

Also sorry to see their friend moving away was Mr. Wal Caruthers, who spoke for all the past parents who have known Miss Ridsdale.

He said parents are very appreciative of the job she has done over the past eight years and a deep sorrow is felt amongst the hundreds of parents to whom she had endeared herself in the community.

District inspector, Mr. H. T. Message, said he personally appreciated Miss Ridsdale's work and friendship for the school, boys and girls, and the Education Department and that her mark on the district will remain for many years.

President of the School Committee, Mr. C. Trickey, endorsed the remarks of the speakers and on behalf of the parents presented Miss Ridsdale with a cheque to enable her to purchase a much coveted stereophonic record player.

Flowers were presented on behalf of the parents, pupils, the choir and school cleaners.

Monday night was a sad occasion but in a way a joyous one replied Miss Ridsdale. She said it is the only occasion she has had to speak to so many parents and past students at once.

She pointed out that she had taught all the present Altona Primary students with the exceptions of those who transferred from other schools.

Miss Ridsdale said that "with all sincerity I say nothing is possible without the co-operation of parents and I would not find better parents or finer children than in Altona."

She thanked the speakers for all their kind words, paid tribute to Mr. Treyvaud and also thanked the parents and children for the past eight years.

The Award is in the form of a distinctive badge and a signed Certificate and also carries with it the opportunity to apply for membership of the Keystone club.

Members selected for this Award must not be older than 19 years or younger than 15 years on October 1.

Altona Citizens and Police Keystone Award for 1966, Miss Robyn Deegan and Mr. Murray Cullen.

Miss Robyn Deegan has been a members of the club for approximately 9 years, firstly as a member of the Junior Gymnastic section and then through the Intermediate section. She herself is particularly interested in the Olympic style gymnastics and calisthenics and has competed in the V.A.G.A. championships. Robyn, two years ago, commenced training the Junior girls of the club, and has shown herself a leader in this field. Her teams have competed at the V.A.Y.C. competitions and in the V.A.G.A. championships. She is a loyal club member, shows outstanding qualities of Leadership, and is a worthy Keystone Award winner.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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This week a new column is introduced for the gardening enthusiasts. Articles especially applicable to Altona conditions are being contributed by an experienced nurseryman.

The ever popular rose is the subject of this first article.

Very few gardens are without a rose. Roses re hardy and do not need a great deal of attention.

They do best in heavy soils but will give good results in sandy soil if organic content is built up and maintained.

Whatever the soil type, a good dressing of compost, or animal manure will ensure plenty of flowers over a long life.

During the growing season roses need little care beyond the removal of weeds, a summer mulch and yearly dressings of manure.

When cutting flowers do not take more stem than necessary, because the foliage makes food with which the plant makes new growth.

Cut about half an inch above a leaf and leave at least two well developed leaves between cut and main stem.

Do not let spent blooms develop fruit as these take much energy away from the plant.

On no account should you remove the water shoot.

These are the soft red shoots that often, during summer, grow from the base of the plants and are invaluable for rebuilding the frame work.

However, these must not be confused with briar shoots which must be removed below the soil level.

Briar shoots are easily recognised as they have seven pointed leaves whereas the rose has five rounded leaves.

The spraying of roses is an important job, for thrip and aphids use Malathion or Rogor '40'. If you mix Nicotine Sul-

phate with either of these sprays it will serve to defeat any mildew.

Vegetables that can be planted now include Lettuce, Beetroot, Beans, Silver Beet, Tomatoes.

FOR THE FLOWER GARDEN
Border plants, include Allysum, Phlox, Petunia, Portulaca.

Taller varieties, Petunias Snap Dragons, Zinnias and Marigold. When planting seedlings it is advisable to give a light dressing of Blood and Bone.

3rd Altona Cubs

At the last meeting of the 3rd Altona Cub Pack, the six cubs and Baghera who spent the weekend of November 26 and 27 at "Illangi," Olinda, gave the rest of the Pack some interesting highlights from their brief holiday.

A long ramble through the bush, singing round the campfire and a cricket match were all very popular items. There were varied reports of people falling out of bed but all were unanimous that their first Pack Holiday had been a grand and exciting experience.

Special thanks to Akala (Mr. Sellman), Mr. Harris and Mr. Maloney for providing transport to and from Olinda.

On Saturday, December 3, Members of the Pack attended the opening of the 3rd Williamstown Scout Hall. Thanks are due to the Cubs who turned up despite the wet weather to wish their brother Scouts and Cubs all the best on the occasion of the opening of their new hall.

Primary Teachers take Nominated Courses

Primary teachers who are undertaking nominated courses of part-time study for limited periods in secondary and technical schools should be used for remedial teaching of migrant students in primary schools said Cr. J. J. Ginifer, M.P., in State Parliament last week.

Cr. Ginifer said:
"I now refer to the remarks of the honorable member for Richmond concerning primary schools at which there is a large migrant enrolment. My colleague made certain suggestions for assisting in educating migrant students and assimilating these young persons into the community. I do not altogether agree that migrant students should be taught by teachers who speak the same language. If the teacher and the student belong to the one nationality, there is a tendency to lapse into their mother tongue rather than persevere with the English language.

Inbuilt in our education system at present is a practice which could be utilized to assist in the education of migrant children. I refer to the fact that a number of primary teachers undertake nominated courses or part-time study courses. The majority of these teachers are used for limited periods in secondary or technical schools.

If their services could be utilized in primary schools where there is a predominant migrant population, the problem to which the honorable member for Richmond referred could be overcome. The teachers in question would still gain valuable teaching experience.

A particular problem exists where children are slow to learn. Even with English-speaking students, there is always a proportion who have difficulty in grasping the fundamentals, not only of English, but of other subjects. It is with these students that a teacher is able to display his real teaching ability. My suggestion therefore is that teachers who are under-

taking part-time or nominated study courses should be used for remedial teaching so far as migrant students in primary schools are concerned. I hope the Minister of Education will give consideration to this suggestion.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
A Merry Christmas Altona!

These words normally heralding a happy carefree time, must have a hollow sound to Altona residents as we approach Christmas. We have the poor already struggling to make ends meet, the sick and ill in health not made any more comfortable by the thought of the \$20 or \$30 rate-rise. Here is the sad case of the working man having, in all sincerity, voted for the Labor candidates at the last Council Election.

It would seem the voters were lured by untrue statements that the rates would not rise until 1968 at the earliest.

Whilst there may be excuses for mistakes, there would seem to be none for deceit.

It would seem, reading the 'Star' letter on the Rate-rise, that the Councillors have no feeling of shame or remorse for making this the most miserable Christmas in Altona's history. The welcoming sign to Altona, would it appears, have been truer if it had shown the killing of the fatted calf or the goose that laid the golden egg.

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Altona Prepare for Championships

There is a great deal of activity and enthusiasm at Altona Yacht Club lately in preparation for the national championships for Hornet class yachts which will be held at the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club, Perth, Western Australia, from January 8 to January 13.

Because of a growing interest in this craft the number of Hornets racing at Altona this year has grown greatly, and many new boats have been launched already, including a fibreglass hull boat sailed by Alex Robertson. Two more fibreglass boats are expected to be racing in the next few weeks, and it will be interesting to see how these craft compare to the more conventional bond wood hulls.

Altona yacht club has six Hornets to represent Victoria in the championships which will be trailed to Perth by their owners who are now completing trailers for the trip. The Hornet Association social committee has held picture nights, barbecues, etc., to help finance the trip and even with this help each skipper will have to pay something like \$200 dollars for expenses.

Three boats represented Western Australia in last years championships held at Royal Yacht Club of Victoria. These boats dominated the series and took the cup back to Western Aus-

tralia. Victorian skippers this year are out to make amends despite the fact that the Western Australians will have local conditions in their favour.

You can see the enthusiasm of these young yachtsmen has to be admired also the fine craft they are preparing, rig and sail.

These boats are fast, easy to handle, cost about \$500 to build and are a delight to sail.

The Altona boats competing in the championships series are as follows:

Boat: Laphil, Skipper: Ted Phillips, Crew: Les Laker.

Boat: Sabre, Skipper: Colin McKinley, Crew: Ray Marion.

Boat: Shadow, Skipper: John Andress, Crew: John Clark.

Boat: Marlon II, Skipper: Alex Robertson, Crew: Ian Gould.

Boat: Matelot, Skipper: Allen Tyrrell, Crew: Kevin Tyrrell.

Boat: Sir Ooca, Skipper: Barry Smith, Crew: Doug Stephens.

We trust one of these craft will be successful in the championships and bring back the cup to Altona.



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Unfavourable Conditions

Miserable conditions made sailing almost intolerable last weekend for the Altona Yacht Club.

The club's program on Saturday suffered through light and fluke winds, culminating in an uncomfortable drizzle.

On Sunday morning the postponed race from the previous weekend was sailed in even more trying conditions than those which prevailed on Saturday. The drizzle of the day before had developed into steady, soaking rain with little or no wind. Only the most enthusiastic skippers bothered to start, the others being content to sacrifice vital championship points rather than face hours of chasing slight wind puffs round the course.

Sailing this season has probably been the worst for many years. Apart from one Saturday being abandoned due to foul weather, the whole Saturday racing program since opening day has been dogged with windless, drifting conditions which are the bug bear for all those who put to sea in sailing craft.

On Saturday five Hornets started with Ted Phillips first through the start line in "Laphil." By the end of the first lap "Sabre," sailed by Colin McKinley, had moved into second place after starting last. Alan Tyrrell in "Matelot" at this stage was also moving well in third place and appeared to be gaining steadily on the leaders.

At the end of the third lap "Sabre" had forged to the front, closely followed by "Matelot," with "Laphil" back in third position. At the first, the leaders positions were unchanged.

"Sabre's" victory was no fluke. This new boat is very fast in light airs and Colin McKinley looms as a very real threat to all Hornet skippers.

His arnell sails appear to be excellent, giving the boat great drive. With more experience in handling "Sabre" in heavy conditions Colin could really make his mark in Australian Hornet circles.

Saturday's MOTH class racing involved only three boats, "Struan De'il," "Felucca" and "Kiwa." Although "Struan De'il" was first away, "Felucca," sailed by Glen Tippett, soon took the lead and was never seriously challenged. It was noticeable that the boats with the full sails were the one's doing well in the light airs.

Glen makes great use of "Felucca's" baggy sail in light conditions and will be a strong contender for Moth class honors at the end of the season.

Results: 1st, "Felucca"; 2nd, "Struan De'il" (Keith Robertson); 3rd, "Kiwa."

Saturday's HERON racing saw John Grieve's new boat "Touche" in first place, followed by "Bluey" Pearl in "Blab," with Judith Ericson in third place in "Gandalf."

This race indicated that "Touche" is going to be a Heron to be reckoned with. Not only is it built down to the minimum weight, it has an excellent prior suit of sails which, combined with John's talents, should prove to be a really first-class performer in future events.

Sunday's racing, apart from the wretched conditions, was marked by depleted fleets in all classes. Lack of wind caused the Sailing Committee to shorten all courses, and racing was virtually a matter of luck and was dull and lifeless.

Four Hornets, two Moths and three Herons started in their various classes and results are as follows—

HORNETS.—1st, "Laphil"; 2nd, "Sabre"; 3rd, "Two-up" (Dave Philp).

MOTHS.—1st, "Struan De'il"; 2nd, "Felucca."

HERONS.—1st, "Joanne" (Bruce Bulmer); 2nd, "Random" (Laurie Marion).

LOCALS IN ALPINE CAR RALLY

Chas Lucas of West Newport, who had a class win in his Ford engine 'Beast' at Templestone Hill Climb will this weekend be competing in the Light Car Club of Australia (L.C.C.A.) Alpine Rally, some 750 miles.

This rally starts at the L.C.C.A. Clubrooms in Albert Park, then via Yarra Glen, Myrtleford and Heyfield to the finish at Lake-land Park, Lilydale.

Local resident, Bob Ryan will be navigating in the Mazda 1000 Sport Coupe.

A report on the Rally will appear in a later issue of the "Star."



BOWLING SCORES

Owing to adverse weather conditions the Friday Bowls challenge night was cancelled and many members were a little disappointed as some had ideas of revenge.

The Pennant Games were all played last Saturday although not under good conditions. Altona were fairly successful as three teams of the four proved winners, the details are as follows:

Altona (1) defeated Melbourne (2) 119-64.

P. Whitmore, Walsh, Mitchell, Monkhouse 25-15.

J. Paul, Hill, Watters Malloy 34-11.

R. Douglas, Whyte, Carton, Fisher, 30-23.

J. Stephens, D. Nettleton, Russell, Mather 30-15.

Altona (2) defeated Flemington (3) 106-80.

Gischus, Neal, R. Don, Watson 26-13.

McNeillage, Williams, Inglis, J. Douglas 32-20.

Blair, Nielsen, L. Cox, Flynn, 22-24.

Webster, Pirbut, Phillips, McDonald 26-23.

Altona (3) defeated Buckley Park (3) 88-87.

J. Cox, G. Harris, Gore, Burke 21-30.

Crofts, B. Harrison, Richardson, Deegan 22-23.

Roach, McMahon, Condon, McAlpine 26-14.

Miles, Andress, Bromley, W. Harrison 19-20.

Altona (4) lost to Maribyrnong (1) 86-93.

Franks, G. Sevier, Pilcher Martin 34-19.

Thornycroft, Eyre, H. Harris, Jemmesen, 26-22.

Pugsley, Marshall, Snowden, Carr 15-25.

Kelly, B. Sevier, Siphthorpe, Grant 11-27.

The games on the 10th are as follows:

Altona (1) meet Werribee (3) away.

Altona (2) play West Brunswick (3) at home.

No. 3 team are at home to Princess Park (4) and No. 4 team are away to Footscray R.S.L. (2).

Again owing to the wet weather and the greens being very soft the usual Sunday Mixed rinks were not played, and naturally many week-end players were disappointed.

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You've been waiting for it and here it is, OUR S.S.S. CHRISTMAS DANCE, with a star-studded program running non-stop from 2.30 till 6 p.m. this coming Sunday afternoon at the Altona Youth Hall, Civic Parade, Altona.

Two of the groups playing are local and two are outside groups, both of which are reputable performers.

THE LEPRECAUNS are Australia's youngest group, they did well in 3UZ's "Sound Spectacular" and they have already appeared on "Dig We Must" and are booked for another television performance in the near future.

Local group THE GAY BOYS are now a four-piece group with two guitars, drums and Pete Landers playing piano and organ. Originally 50-60 dance group with only three boys, they now have about 30 pop tunes up their sleeve and will receive a guest spot on our program.

Perhaps some of you are wondering about the star group, MARTIN RYDER TRIO. I can assure you these boys are an accomplished group, all of them sing and I believe the drummer has his own diabolical set up. They've appeared on "Kommotion" and they've played at all the top dances and disco's in Melbourne. Anyway you'll be able to judge them for yourselves when you come along this Sunday afternoon.

All of you KULT fans will be able to see and hear your favourite group and obtain their autographs, but, please, no clothing souveniring girls.

A Miss Go-Go Girl of Altona competition will no doubt be popular amongst the girls and the winner will receive a feature in our column plus a free record from Nev's Variety Bar.

It looks as though the SNEAKERS/UNKNOWNNS (call 'em what you like) have finally disbanded owing to drummer Bobby Harrison taking on shift work, and "wimmin-trouble" on the part of other members. However, Gerry and Steve hope to give us a duo act as their farewell appearance in Altona.

Well, that's the line-up, plus the four Go-Go Girls, Margaret and Carol and Roslyn and Jean, so come along on Sunday afternoon.

IF YOU'RE NOT A MEMBER, JOIN NOW!

DISCOTHEQUE
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10th AVENUE

Situated in Bourke Street, Melbourne, this disco is quite a popular one, but not my choice of the ideal dive as it is frequented by the 12½ to 16½ age group as against the 17 to 28 age group of "Sebastians."

However, the Avenue is fairly well run and its dim lighting and gassy sound create the groovy atmosphere desired by teenagers.

It has two floors compared with "Sebastian's" three—one for dancing, talking and eating, and the other for dancing and listening to groups.

I guess one thing that this place has over many of the other discos is the fact that it opens all day Sunday for those teeners with nothing to do or girls who aren't allowed out late at night.

10th Avenue usually runs from about 8 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. and like anywhere else admission is \$1.

FAN CLUB

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SAINT A SINNER?

Popular TV and film star Roger Moore, better known as Simon Templar of "The Saint" series, by Leslie Charteris, could be a SINNER after all! Recently his British singer-wife Dorothy Squires, sued him for divorce after nine years of marriage.

Moore, who is 39, is younger than his ex-wife, who is 45. Other series that he will be remembered from are "Ivanhoe" and "Maverick" (in which he starred as Beauregard, cousin of Bret and Bart).

Incidentally, the "Maverick" series has returned to our TV screens and so you'll have an opportunity to see Britain's highest paid film star, whose halo is getting a bit too heavy for him.

HIGH SCHOOL DANCE

Congratulations to the Altona High School for a well run dance last Friday night at the Civic Hall. Surprisingly it wasn't packed out due to the fact that it wasn't over-publicised. Also the judo demonstration at the Youth Hall provided strong competition on the night.

The group known as THE ANGRY BREED played non-stop and their singer was pretty good on the harmonica. The dance finished at midnight after 200 teenagers had enjoyed a great evening.

SLOT CAR TRACK OPEN

No doubt many of you were delighted when NEV opened his slot car track on Sunday morning, but I'm sure the opening attendance would have been much better if it weren't for the continuous rain.

Slot car racing is fast becoming an all age sport in Australia and Nev hopes to build a bigger track eventually, so give him your support.

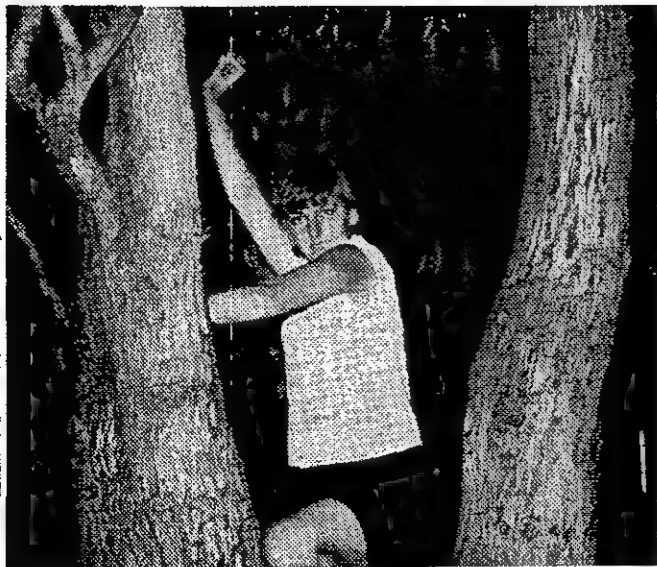


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Jean Littlewood, of Wilga Avenue, Altona, will be one of the Go-Go Girls featured at next Sunday's S.S.S. Dance.



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—Normie Rowe.
- 6.—Good Vibrations
The Beach Boys.
- 7.—Sorry
—Easybeats.
- 8.—Bend It
—Dave Dee Dozy Beaky Mick and Tich.
- 9.—What a Party
—Tom Jones.
- 10.—Needle in a Haystack
—Twilight.

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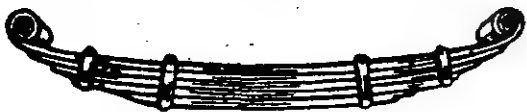
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ALTONA SPASTIC AID COMMITTEE

The newly-formed Mothers' Club of the Chis-Lon Spastic Centre held a social get-together and buffet luncheon at the home of the secretary, Mrs. Cruppenden, in Grieve Highway, Altona.

It was held on November 24 and the Altona Spastic Aid Committee were their guests.

The committee ladies were thrilled as they were able to meet the mothers of some of the spastic children.

Friday, November 25, was the last social evening for 1966. It was a great success, although not so many attended. It proved to be one of the best nights yet.

The Altona Spastic Aid Committee is grateful to the Altona Youth Club Committee for the use of their hall.

Next Tuesday, December 13, will be the last meeting for this year.

The committee has invited Mr. I. Andrews, secretary of the Chis-Lon Spastic Centre to be the guest speaker. Any ladies interested are asked to please attend at 2 p.m. (the committee will meet at 1.30 p.m. as usual). It will be at the Homestead, 123 Queen Street, Altona, and afternoon tea will be provided.

Millions For Railway Works

For the 1966-67 railway works program, the Victorian Railways have been allotted \$16,450,000 by the State Treasury.

CONTAINERISATION

First trial container consignment of canned fruit from Shepparton showed again how railways and industry can combine to use containers, so that the contents need not be handled between a company siding and the destination.

AMERICANS WANT RAPID TRANSIT

Inconvenience not only by the lack of a properly co-ordinated transport system but by the ugliness of freeways, Americans are becoming organised and are demanding action regarding effective railway systems.

CROWDING THEM IN

Japanese suburban carriages are always loaded far above their normal capacity in peak periods—some on the Teito system up to 282 per cent. above (or 40 passengers per carriage).

MORE "HARRIS TRAINS"

For completing the second batch of 30 "Harris" 7-car suburban trains, and towards the construction of 10 additional "Harris" type motor carriages, \$2,010,000 has been allotted from this year's railway works loan money.

CITY CAR BAN

According to Mrs. Barbara Castle, Britain's Minister of Transport, a partial ban may have to be imposed on private transport in city areas at peak hours.

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During the current financial year, 187 miles of country tracks and five miles of metropolitan lines will be relaid, and 14 miles of country tracks will be reconditioned.

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Completion of the second of two additional tracks between Richmond and Burnley will enable an extra train to be run in the evening peak period on each of the Box Hill and Glen Waverley lines, as well as more express running of trains from Melbourne on Belgrave and Lilydale lines. The current railway works program provides for \$350,000 to be spent on the project.

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LAG IN HOME BUILDING

The general lag in home building is strongly felt in Altona.

In the year ended June, 1966, 374 houses were completed in Altona. In the previous year 524 were built (which was about the average of recent years).

Other western suburban areas such as Sunshine and Keilor, were also down, but not to the same degree as Altona.

It seems at this time there are simply not enough building blocks available to satisfy the needs of prospective home builders in this area.

Present and prospective subdivisional activity will no doubt rectify the position as also on a longer term basis the development of the Explosives Reserve.

It is bad if home makers interested in Altona are forced to go elsewhere. The adverse effect on Altona's progress is also unfortunate.

The necessary build-up of net annual valuation in the Shire will be retarded.

150 Years of Natural Gas

The gas industry in the USA this year is celebrating the 150th anniversary of the use of natural gas in that country.

Although natural gas was used in the USA from 1816, this was only possible close to the gas wells, because the only transmission pipe available consisted of hollow logs.

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Culturally Deprived

The Culturally Deprived was the subject of Dr. M. Balson's talk at the recent public meeting on education held in the Civic Hall.

Research work on this matter has been undertaken at secondary level schools in the Geelong area and Dr. Balson related details of this enquiry.

The study arose out of the increasing concern being felt over the effects of the social-class membership of parents on certain aspects of school performance of their student children.

Each year a substantial group of students fail to make normal progress in their school learning.

These are generally the pupils whose school motivation, early home experiences and future vocational aspirations handicap them in school work.

Dr. Balson said the assumption is that there is, as in Geelong, a higher instance of culturally deprived children in the western and northern suburbs of Melbourne rather than the eastern suburbs.

He spoke on the problems of education of the culturally deprived child.

Children in this group do not make normal progress and this can be traced to experience in homes where culture is not transmitted.

Adults in these homes have a minimum level of education or there is poverty, large families, broken homes, or slum conditions.

Children from these homes come unprepared for learning.

Whereas, children from middle class homes are given instruction—individual and timed—in the home.

These children are stimulated by their environment. They are spoken to and read to by their parents and have toys, games and books.

Dr. Balson said all later learning is likely to be influenced by the basic training received in the first 5 or 6 years of a child's life.

He contends that the present school practices do not succeed in overcoming the problem.

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Loading Zones for Pier Street

Moves are being made to establish loading zones on both sides of Pier Street.

The Altona Shire Council's staff and planning committee—which handles parking affairs in the Shire—has recommended that loading zones be provided in Pier Street at points about 120 feet north of Blyth Street. Appropriate signs should be erected, it said.

Representations had been made by the management of a bakery pointing out the problems of unloading bread in Pier Street as there is no appropriate loading bay. Recently the van had been the subject of a parking infringement and whilst the firm acknowledged the infringement, it felt that co-operation should be given to ensure that adequate parking area was available for similar deliveries.

The committee also has recommended "That U turns be prohibited in Pier Street between Railway Street South and the Esplanade, between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily, and 8.30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays, excepting at intersections."

Food Carters Fined

Three men have been fined in Williamstown Court over health regulation breaches in Altona.

Fines totalled \$70.

Gabriel Sarika was fined \$10 for having taken back bread which had been delivered.

Dimitriou Kalantonis was fined \$10 on each of four charges involving taking back delivered bread, having an unclean food vehicle, having failed to wear a clean washable overall, and having dirty hands and fingernails.

Sammy Maggiore was fined \$10 for having dirty hands and fingernails, and \$10 for failing to prevent food from coming into contact with contaminating material.

HINTS FOR HOME SEEKERS

This is another in the special series for "new chum" home seekers by Frank Foy, general secretary of the Real Estate and Stock Institute of Victoria.

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Flat Plans do not Conform

Preliminary plans for a block of flats in Chifley Avenue, have been knocked back by the Shire Council.

The plans showed that the owners wanted to build the flats only 15 feet from the front line of the block—five feet less than the minimum required by the council under the Uniform Building Regulations.

The plan now submitted to the Health Inspector with the septic tank permit application shows the distance from frontage and distance from side street to be 15' 0" in each case.

On discussing this plan with the Health Inspector and the proposed location of the buildings, it seems that the site concerned could not contain the necessary effluent lines and buffer zones required under the septic tank regulations to serve the proposed number of flats.

If the buildings are to be constructed closer to the side boundary in Fresno Street than the 15' 0" proposed, or if a reduction in the number of flats is required, I can see no reason to permit the distance from frontage to be reduced to 15' 0", as the additional area involved will permit the minimum 20' 0" setback to be maintained," the surveyor said.

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